

NORTHWEST INDIANA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lou Martinez
Lake County Appointment

Working Groups Served:
Surface Transportation, Chair
Shoreline Development



Lou Martinez has been in the United Way system since 1979 when he joined Lake Area United Way in Griffith and has served as President of the organization since 1995. His former positions within United Way have involved him with the Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana; the Indiana Department of Family Services, Social Services Advisory Committee; the Lieutenant Governor's Economic Development Task Force; the State of Indiana's Gambling Impact Study Commission; the Governor's Commission on Home and Community-based Services; and the Lake County Welfare to Work Coalition. From 2001 – 2006, he served as State Trustee to Ivy Tech Community College Board of Trustees. In addition to serving on the RDA board, Lou also serves on the boards of the Northwest Indiana Quality of Life Council and Race Relations Council of NWI.

About the Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority

Established in 2005 through a bipartisan effort including Governor Mitchell E. Daniels, Congressman Peter J. Visclosky, key state legislators, and local elected officials, the RDA is quasi-governmental development entity entrusted to make public investment decisions within a regional framework for supporting catalytic infrastructure projects and inducing private sector investment. Its mission is to be a catalyst for transforming the economy and quality of life for Northwest Indiana. For more information, visit www.in.gov/rda and www.rdatransformation.com.